

Meet the Community Leaders Running for Cromaine Library Board This Fall

HARTLAND, MI — A group of local leaders—including an award-winning playwright, thirty-year educator, a former United Way director, and an automotive engineering leader—have launched the *Cromaine for Everyone* nonpartisan slate for the Cromaine District Library Board of Trustees.

Formed in response to recent board controversies and book censorship efforts, the slate is united by a commitment to lawful, transparent governance, protecting individual and parental reading choices, fiscal oversight, staff excellence, and quality materials and programming that serve the tastes and needs of all ages and residents. The four candidates are campaigning to secure all four seats for election and restore responsible collaborative leadership to the Library Board.



From left: Ethan Hawker, Nancy Rosso, David MacGregor, and Griffin Wright

Meet the Candidates

Nancy Rosso



Resident of Brighton Township and patron of Cromaine for over 46 years. Incumbent Trustee, current Board Treasurer, retired Licensed Master Social Worker, and former Director of Livingston County United Way and Livingston County Catholic Charities.

"Libraries have always been an important part of my life, and Cromaine has been a constant source of learning, connection, and community for my family and me. I am committed to professional governance, staff development, and the responsible stewardship of taxpayer dollars. I believe deeply in keeping the library board non-partisan, expanding awareness of Cromaine's many free services, and ensuring that every resident in the district feels welcome and included."

Ethan Hawker



Lifetime resident rooted in Hartland dedicating more than 30 years to the school system as a high school math teacher, curriculum advisor, administrator, and golf coach. Awarded Hartland's School Teacher of the Year 2024 and Region 6 Golf Coach of the Year.

"Cromaine is one of Hartland's greatest treasures. As an educator, I understand the power of lifelong learning. I want to support programs and resources that inspire curiosity, encourage literacy, and help residents of all ages continue to learn and grow. Hartland is at its best when organizations work together in partnerships, so I would like to strengthen that collaboration, ensure Cromaine is financially strong for the future, and support professional development opportunities for the wonderful staff. Hartland has given so much to my family and me over the years. Serving on the Cromaine Board would be another opportunity to give back to a community that I care deeply about."

Griffin Wright



Howell resident, father of two young library patrons, and Lifetime Friend of Cromaine. Automotive engineering leader and former Hartland Players board member.

"My family has used Cromaine Library for years, and as a father of two, I have seen firsthand the impact a great library can have on children and families. As the parent of a child with disabilities, I have also developed a deep appreciation for the importance of accessibility and equitable access to community resources. Not every family experiences the world in the same way, and libraries play an important role in ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to learn, explore, and participate. If elected, I hope to bring a practical, family-focused perspective to the board, one grounded in community involvement, thoughtful leadership, and a commitment to keeping Cromaine welcoming and accessible for everyone."

David MacGregor



Longtime Hartland resident, author, former English professor at Wayne State, and resident playwright at The Purple Rose Theatre.

"Cromaine Library is an absolutely wonderful institution and I am running for the Board in the hope of making it even more useful and relevant for everyone in our community, from preschoolers to senior citizens. Yes, it offers books, media, and wi-fi, but it also offers a tremendous variety of programs and other resources. If elected, I look forward to using my knowledge and experience to serve the library (and my personal heroes, librarians), in any and every way possible."

Upcoming Campaign Events

- **Meet & Greet:** Saturday, Sept. 12 | 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Spicer Orchards Harvest Festival, 10411 Clyde Rd., Fenton, MI 48430
- **League of Women Voters Forum:** Monday, Sept. 14, 6:00 PM
Broadcast live and available to stream on YouTube.

To learn more about the candidates and the Cromaine for Everyone campaign, visit:
www.cromaineforeveryone.com

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